

Parties Crowd Calendar In Final Fortnight Before Season of Penitence

Wife of Lt. Comdr. Thomas Gives Cocktail Party; Donald Joneses Hosts at Buffet Supper

With little more than a fortnight before the start of the penitential season on Ash Wednesday, parties are overlapping on the social calendar. The week holds much of social interest with scores of small informal parties and a few larger fetes add zest.

Mrs. Thomas, wife of Lt. Comdr. William D. Thomas, U. S. N., was here over Sunday in the apartment of her mother, Mrs. George T. Marye, in the Dresden, and gathered a group of her close friends for cocktails yesterday. Mrs. Thomas came from New York, where she has been for a few weeks, and was accompanied by Miss Phyllis Walsh, who returned there with her today. Later Mrs. Thomas will go to New Ranch in Nevada, not far from San Francisco, where Comdr. Thomas is on duty.

Another pleasant party was the buffet supper last evening which Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jones gave in their S street home. Mrs. Jones before her marriage was Mrs. Pendleton Mayo.

Gen. and Mrs. Marshall Entertain at Luncheon.

Parties yesterday were of all varieties imaginable, luncheons being particularly popular in many circles. The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Jesse Jones were honored at one of these luncheons, when the Chief of Staff of the Army, Gen. George C. Marshall, and Mrs. Marshall entertained. Another luncheon of importance was that honoring the Ambassador of Turkey and Mme. Ertegun. Hosts at this latter affair were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sim Lee, who gave their luncheon in the Pan-American room at the Mayflower Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien Are Host at Tea.

Afternoon parties included the tea which Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lincoln O'Brien gave at the Sulgrave Club; the cocktail party at which Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bruce Howe were hosts at the Alibi Club, and the at home given by the Misses Babbie, Martha and Joan McKenna.

At the Sulgrave Club party Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien received at the head of the stairs, the hostess wearing a chiffon gown of rose-beige shade. It was a "sit down tea" for small tables were arranged in the ballroom, which dishes of hot seafood Newburg and baked ham were served. The Howe party was for the chairman of the various committees of the National Symphony Campaign, of which Mr. Howe is chairman.

Misses McKenna Chose Valentine Theme.

The Misses McKenna chose a Valentine theme for decorations at their party, which was held in their home on Kalorama Circle. A box of red carnations and white stellas was used to center the tea table, where heart-shaped cakes and red and white candies added to the festive note. Mrs. Royal T. McKenna received with her daughters and wore a black crepe dress, and Miss Babbie McKenna was in beige and black. Miss Martha McKenna chose gold color crepe and the youngest daughter of the house, Miss Joan McKenna, was in aqua and black.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Plunkett Drury were also hosts at tea yesterday, their party being held in their Wardman Park apartment. Assisting Mrs. Drury were her mother, Mrs. William B. Wallace; Mrs. Albert E. Berry, Mrs. Thomas F. Lowe, Mrs. J. Harold Kilcove, Mrs. Francis W. Hill, Jr., Mrs. John W. Donahue, Mrs. William P. Kelly, Mrs. Ralph Hohenstein and Mrs. Reginald B. Grady.

Mrs. Hurley to Entertain For Mrs. Stimson.

Each day through this week will have its quota of delightful entertainments. Mrs. Henry L. Stimson, wife of the Secretary of War, will be the honor guest of Mrs. Patrick J. Hurley, wife of the former Secretary of War. Mrs. Hurley will entertain in the house at 2221 R street, which they have leased for the winter months expecting to return to Belmont, their place near Leesburg, in the early spring.

Still further in the future is the dinner party planned by Mr. Justice and Mrs. Harlan Fiske Stone Thursday evening February 27, and the party which Mr. and Mrs. Walter Distler will give Shrove Tuesday, February 25, at the 1925 F Street Club. Also on the schedule is a luncheon which Mrs. Robert Vedder Fleming will give Wednesday, February 19.

Mrs. Townsend Closes Her Musicales Season.

Mrs. Lawrence Townsend closed her season this morning with Lotte Lehmann and Lauritz Melchior giving the program at the Mayflower. A brilliant group of guests



MISS DORIS JUNE KRAUSE.

Her engagement to Mr. J. Brandon Kelley of New York and Bethesda, Md., has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Krause of Milwaukee. The wedding will take place in the spring.

Miss Doris Krause To Wed Mr. Kelley

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Krause of Milwaukee announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Doris June Krause, to Mr. J. Brandon Kelley of New York and Bethesda, Md.

Miss Krause is a graduate of Fairmont Junior College and is now taking finishing courses at King-Smith School.

Mr. Kelley, an honor graduate of Georgetown University of the class of 1940, is the son of Mrs. John Tyrone Kelley and the late Mr. Kelley, who was a well-known newspaperman.

The wedding will take place in the early spring.

Marietta Park Club To Have Valentine Party Tomorrow

The ninth annual Valentine party of the Marietta Park Women's Club will be celebrated with a luncheon at Henderson Castle tomorrow at 1 p.m.

Honor guests will be the president, Mrs. Ivan H. Sims, and Mrs. Stanley D. Reed, founder and first president. Others who will attend are Mrs. Thomas C. Atkinson, Mrs. James L. Darby and Mrs. E. Morgan Pryse, all former presidents.

The customary date for the party, February 14, has been changed so as to avoid conflict with the British War Relief card party and fashion show to be given by the District Federation of Women's Clubs at Hotel 2400 Friday. Decorations and fortune telling booths at the benefit will be in charge of the Marietta Park Club. Mrs. Harold W. Leath is in charge of reservations for the Valentine luncheon.

Vermont Association To Meet Saturday

Mr. Ezra Brainerd, Jr., moderator of the Vermont Association of the District of Columbia, has announced that the next regular meeting of the association would be held at the Washington Club, Seventeenth and K streets N.W., Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Colored moving pictures of outdoor life in Vermont will be shown with special reference to recreational opportunities. After the show there will be dancing until midnight.

The sesquicentennial celebration of Vermont's admission to the Union will be celebrated at a meeting at the Washington Club on March 15. Mr. Samuel B. Pettengill, who spent his boyhood in Grafton, Vt., and was graduated from Middlebury College in 1908, will deliver the sesquicentennial address.

Luncheoned with them after the concert, Mrs. Townsend was hostess at the luncheon and among scores of others entertaining after the program was Mrs. Effingham Townsend, wife of Mr. Lawrence Townsend's cousin, who entertained in honor of Mrs. John Rogers.

Two Dinners of Interest

Representative and Mrs. Byron And Mrs. McLean Entertain

There were two dinners of particular interest last evening.

Representative and Mrs. William D. Byron were among last evening's dinner hosts, their party, which honored Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Allen of New York, being held in their home on Woodley road. Earlier, Representative and Mrs. Byron attended the cocktail party given by Mrs. Byron's mother, Mrs. Goodloe Edgar, for her son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. James Edgar.

Among the guests at the dinner were Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Felt, Senator and Mrs. Claude Pepper, Mme. Emmanuel Lombard, Representative and Mrs. Lansdale G. Sasser, Mr. Walter Macomber, Mrs. McConney Werlich, Mr. Edward Van Devanter, Maj. E. Brooke Lee, Miss Vera Bloom and several others.

Representative and Mrs. Byron will entertain at dinner Friday for the Turkish Ambassador and Mme. Ertegun, and soon after Mrs. Byron will leave to attend the carnival festivities in New Orleans. Her husband will join her for Mardi Gras.

Mrs. Edward Beale McLean was hostess at dinner last evening at her home. Friendship, for a large number of guests. Among those at the dinner were Mr. Justice and Mrs. Stanley F. Reed, Mr. Justice Frank Murphy, the Speaker of the House, Sam Rayburn, and his sister, Miss Lucinda Rayburn; the Finnish Minister and Mme. Procopie, Senator and Mrs. Hiram Johnson, Senator Arthur Capper, Senator and Mrs. Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator and Mrs. Robert A. Taft, Senator Theodore Francis Green, Senator Joseph F. Guffey and his sister, Miss Guffey; Representative Patrick Boland, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Sherman Miles, Miss Mabel T. Boardman, Mr. and Mrs. O. Max Gardner, former Attorney General Homer S. Cummings, Mrs. A. Mitchell Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hurja, Mr. and Mrs. Drew Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Esary, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Esary, Joseph Hergesheimer of New York and Miss Evelyn Washington McLean, the hostess's daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rogers are now making their home at 1833 New Hampshire avenue.

Mrs. Turner to Visit

Mrs. William Stephen Turner of Winston-Salem, N. C., is arriving Wednesday to spend the week end with her parents, Col. and Mrs. William F. Pearson, at their home on Tracy place.

Movies of Hawaii To Be Presented

John V. Hansen, a member of the Arts Club, will present a new series of motion pictures entitled "Hawaiian Interlude" at the club headquarters tomorrow evening. The pictures, which were taken last winter, show scenes from the main islands and of the native dances.

Mr. Hansen is vice president of the Amateur Cinema League, international organization with New York headquarters, and is an honor member of the Oval Table Society.

Panhellenic Prom

Miss Ruth Helen Spink, president of the Junior Panhellenic Association of George Washington University, will lead the grand march at the association's annual prom tomorrow with Miss Pat Orr, the prom chairman. The dance will be held at 10 p.m. at the Shoreham Hotel.

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By the Way—

Beth Blaine

It's really the people who make a party—and the most refreshing part of this year's social life in Washington is that at every sort of party, one finds new and interesting faces. Men from every part of the country—intelligent and successful men—have come flocking to the Capital to help in some part of the defense program. Some come bringing their families with them—others share temporary bachelor quarters while their wives "keep the home fires burning" and make frequent visits.

Maj. Ted Curtis arrived from Boston some weeks ago for duty at the War Department. He first joined the small group of men sharing bachelor quarters with Col. Robert Olds and later found a charming old house in Alexandria. He sent for his attractive wife and two of their three children (the eldest, a girl, is in boarding school) and now the Curtis family is as completely at home in Alexandria as though they had lived there always. And small wonder it is, for the house is completely charming. The owner, Mrs. Franklin Korell, is now in Chicago and the Curtises knew her some years ago when she was married to the late Gen. William Mitchell. So when they heard of the death of furnished houses in Washington they wrote their old friend to ask if she would like to lease hers, and the whole thing was settled by mail.

Dining with the Curtises the other evening was a most attractive group of people; Lady Thornton, born an American, the widow of Sir Henry Thornton, who is as intelligent and capable as she is good-looking and is here with one of the air lines. Also the strikingly good-looking John Mitchells—only recently married. Mrs. Mitchell, small, blond and lovely in her black velvet frock, and he tall and dark. A native of New Orleans, she and her husband came here from their Louisiana plantation so Mr. Mitchell could go into the Navy. While here they are living at the Wardman Park and seem to be loving it.

Another attractive and interesting couple were the Merian Coopers—Mr. Cooper, a Hollywood producer, and small, dark and pretty Mrs. Cooper, the former Movie Star Dorothy Jordan. Looking about 16 in her simple white gown, with a spray of white jasmine in her hair, we found it very hard to believe that Dorothy Cooper was the mother of two children, one 6 and one 4, who stayed at home in Beverly Hills while their parents came East. Mr. Cooper was on his way to New York to sail for England, where he will produce a picture for Walter Wanger. His wife accompanied him to New York, remained long enough to see him off and then returned to California.

Other guests at dinner were Col. Olds, Charles Wooley, who still is chez Olds, and William Simpkins, who is here for a visit with the Mitchells.

AND

BY THE WAY—

Since we seem to be more or less on the subject of the Army and Navy—we are reminded of a story just told us by one of our service friends, who swears it was told him by the man to whom it happened. It seems that the gentleman, a Senator, went to the Navy Department to see the Secretary of the Navy Knox. He walked up to the young woman in charge of admission, and since he was wearing no identification badge, such as is now required in the service, was eyed with great suspicion by the lady.

"I should like to see Mr. Knox," said the Senator.

"What Knox?" blithely inquired the young lady.

"Frank Knox," said the Senator, somewhat out of patience.

Looking through the list of personnel, the forthright young woman announced firmly, "We have no Frank Knox here."

"Col. Frank Knox," said the Senator, "of course he's here."

"Oh, a colonel," said our young lady, "Why didn't you say so? You'll find him over in the War Department!"

Miss Sue Richmond Wed to Mr. Ficklin

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Sue Merritt Richmond of Roxboro, N. C., and Washington to Mr. Thomas Phillips Ficklin of Bealeton, N. C., at Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Church in Roxboro December 28.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. John Daniel Kerr Richmond of South Boston, Va., and the late Mrs. Richmond. Mr. Ficklin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ficklin of Bealeton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ficklin are now making their home at 1833 New Hampshire avenue.

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Mrs. Hazel Hawkins Is Married to Mr. F. C. Rogers

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McKinstry of Athens, Ohio, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mrs. Hazel Hawkins, to Mr. Francis C. Rogers of Camden, N. J. The wedding took place Saturday at noon in the Lutheran Church of the Reformation in this city.

The bride is a former Ohio University student, a member of Phi Beta Kappa Sorority, and for the last six years has been employed by the Navy Department.

Mr. Rogers was graduated from Pennsylvania State and is a member of Phi Delta Theta. He is in business in Gloucester City, N. J.

The couple will make their home at Merchantville, N. J.



MRS. DAVID RINEHART STAUFFER.

The former Miss Dorothy Porter, she is the daughter of the Interstate Commerce Commissioner and Mrs. Claude Rodman Porter. Mr. Stauffer is the son of Mr. Henry E. Stauffer of Chevy Chase.

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Kentucky Society To Fete Colonels

The Kentucky Society of Washington will be the host Tuesday evening, February 18, to the national association of the Kentucky Colonels.

Gen. J. Fred Miles, general chairman of the Kentucky Colonels, will fly to Washington from Louisville for the occasion and Gen. Robert Barry, chairman for the State of Kentucky and assistant chairman for the national organization of colonels, will have charge of the colonels' part of the program. Col. Anna Friedman, national secretary of the Kentucky Colonels, will likewise arrive from Louisville to be present and Gov. Keen Johnson of Kentucky is expected to attend.

Frank Luther, famous singer of Southern melodies, will come from New York to participate in the program and Russell Swan, the magician, now appearing at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York, will likewise come here for the event.

There will be dancing from 10 to 1 o'clock. Mr. Neville Miller, president of the National Broadcasters' Association, will be master of ceremonies.

Wedding Details Given

Details of the plans for the wedding of Miss Genevieve Garner, granddaughter of the former Vice President and Mrs. John Nance Garner, and Mr. John James Currie, Jr., have been received here.

The bride-elect will have Miss Lil Youngs of Atlanta, a former roommate of Miss Garner at Arlington Hall, as her maid of honor and only attendant, and Mr. Currie will have his brother, Mr. David Hugh Currie as his best man.

Ushers at the wedding will be Messrs. Tuney Fletcher, John Adams, William Stack and Fred Sanford, all of Texas.

After their wedding the couple will reside in Amarillo, Tex.

Miss Garner, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tully C. Garner of Amarillo, will be married February 24 at 8 o'clock in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Amarillo.

Jewish Home Board

The Washington Chapter of the National Home for Jewish Children will have a board meeting at 1:45 p.m. tomorrow at the Jewish Community Center.

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